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Karnataka Political Drama

Trust Vote Tomorrow

SC issues interim order; Says Speaker can't be forced to take decision within time-frame

New Delhi / Bengaluru, July 17 (UNI)- The Supreme Court (SC) this morning issued an interim order with respect to resignations of 15 rebel MLAs (who had petitioned the Apex Court) stating that the Karnataka Assembly Speaker cannot be forced to take a decision within a time-frame.

However, in what can be said as a big relief to the rebel MLAs, the Apex Court also said that it cannot force them (rebel MLAs)

Kumaraswamy *Ramesh Kumar*

to participate in the Trust Vote which is scheduled for tomorrow in Bengaluru. A three-Judge Bench, headed by Chief Justice of India (CJI) Ranjan Gogoi, said, "Speaker cannot be forced to take a decision within a time-frame with respect to the resignation issue of rebel MLAs."

The Supreme Court, yesterday, had heard the detailed arguments from senior lawyers Mukul Rohatgi, appearing for 15 rebel MLAs, Abhishek Manu Singhvi for Speaker and Rajeev Dhawan for Karnataka Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy before reserving the verdict for today.

The Top Court also said that larger question raised in the case on the role of Speaker could be answered at a later stage but interim order is required to maintain Constitutional balance.

The rebel MLAs had told the Supreme Court that the Congress-JD(S) coalition Government had lost majority and Speaker K.R. Ramesh Kumar, by keeping their resignations hanging, was attempting to prolong a State Government which had been reduced to a minority.

(See VOTE on page 9)

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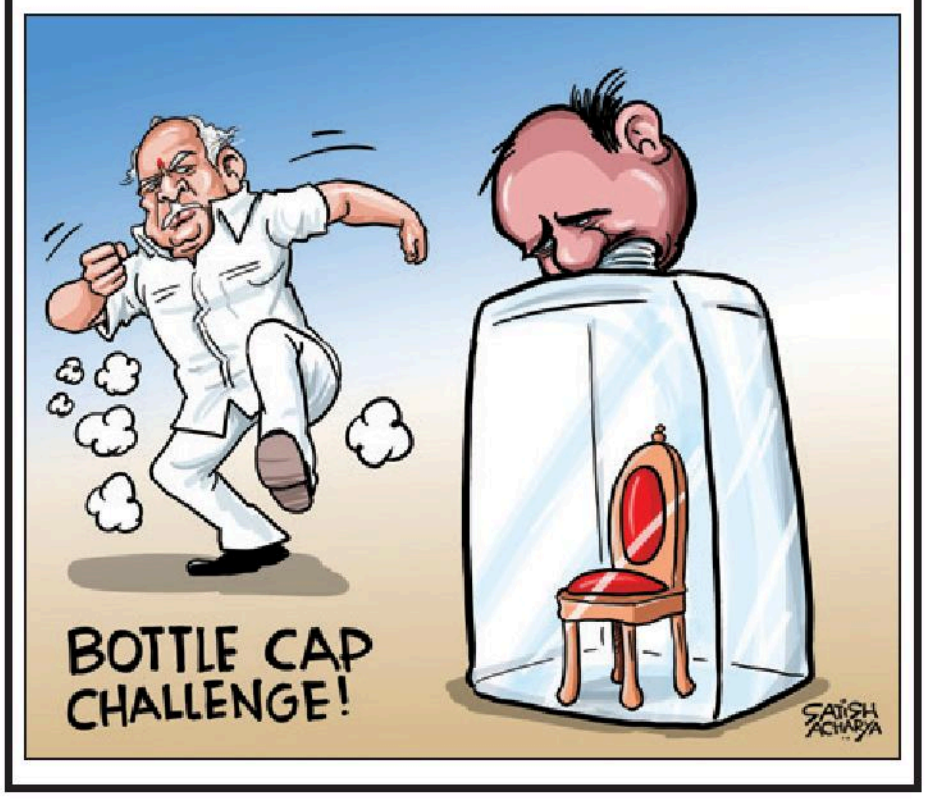

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Adjusting attitudes

No matter which city across the country one chooses to live in, particularly those hosting more residents than they would themselves feel comfortable in life from dawn to dusk, the unalloyed affinity most of the residents have for their chosen city should bring to our memory the popular song from a Hindi biopic of 1950s *"Ae dil hai mushkil jeena yahan, zara hatke zara bachke ye hai bambai meri jaan,"* **with the message** *"Oh heart, it is hard to survive here, be careful, be aware this is Bombay my love."* **Bombay city, now Mumbai, decades ago was deemed grand dame of India's cities. Both the message recounted above and the accolade bestowed on that city, unarguably, applies to Bengaluru (then Bangalore), once proudly called the** *garden city.* **The capital of Karnataka wears the look of** *modern* **ruin (pun intended) being sticky, humid with about 135 lakh people getting mixed in its unending nooks and corners, the whole world seeming to be in the same place at the same time, packed like a can of beans. The two big casualties of the city are patience with the other residents and security to one's life with dimming chances of reaching one's homes at the end of the day.**

The ratios of urban and rural populations to the country's total headcount used to be talked about passingly by demographers until not too long ago. With the prospect of those ratios reaching a point of equality between the two regions and the ongoing exodus of rustics to urban spaces, apart from raising the question of what holds for the country's masses in future but also calls for adjusting attitudes in life.

All was well until the urban spaces hosted residents in numbers that were a mere fraction of their current count. Taking Mysuru, then Mysore, for illustration, the city hosted a population that was equal to the headcount of some prosperous villages nowadays. The city, as it used to be said of Boston in the United States of America, was most walkable. The elderly residents of the city can vouch that the city was ideally livable when they were in their teens. Its handful number of automobiles, single-storeyed dwellings, people with the well-known laid-back outlook and typically led life of moderation can be said to be supportive of the customs, traditional practices and beliefs, marked by harmony in society are features that one can only read in the pages of the city's chronicle.

The foretold profile of Mysuru matches that of virtually all cities across the land. Thanks to the comforts and conveniences driven by products of technological advances, not only consumerism stoking desire to seek more comfort, the masses are blind to the inevitable times of exhausting all life-supporting resources. The first charge to avert that disaster is to adjust our attitude towards keeping population expansion in check. The rest will fall in place.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The Big Boss and his Commander-in-Chief racking their brains trying to solve the biggest problem of all.

Big Boss (BB): *We've got to do something about this big problem, which is getting bigger day by day, Commander-in-Chiefbhai.* ***Commander-in-Chief (C-in-C):*** *I agree that we have to do something about this big problem which is getting bigger day by day, which is the problem of employment. Or, rather, lack of employment, or unemployment.*

Big Boss: *Exactly. How do we create jobs for all these unemployed people?* ***C-in-C:*** *How about we give all these unemployed people the job of digging a hole and then filling in the hole that's been dug?*

BB: *That's the oldest unemployment trick in the book! Surely you can do better than that!* ***C-in-C:*** *I have done better than that. We should get person A to dig the hole, and person B to fill up the hole. That way we create two-two jobs instead of one-one job.* ***BB:*** *Hmm. Not a bad idea. Except with all these holes the country will end up looking like Swiss cheese. —* ***Jug Suraiya in The Times of India***

NEWS SPARKLERS

Goat goes viral online for looking like a pop star

Kuala Lumpur: A handsome Saanen goat in Malaysia has reached online celebrity status for looking like a Korean pop star.

Ramos, an 11-month-old billy goat at Muhammad Livestock Farm in Perak, Malaysia, went viral last week after his owner posted photos of him on the farm's Facebook page. People instantly fell in love with his blonde hairdo and goatee, and some social media users even compared his beauty to that of a K-pop star. Ramos' owner, 21-year-old Ahmad M. Fadzir, said that the handsome goat loves getting photographed and turns to pose for the camera whenever he sees one.

Fadzir said that he fell in love with Ramos the moment he laid eyes on him. He was in Terengganu shopping for female goats, because goat milk had been in high demand recently, but as soon as he saw Ramos, he knew he had to have him, so he paid another farmer RM750 ($183) for him without hesitation.

Dog waiting by his owner's car crash site since 18 months

Nafpaktos: A pet dog has spent the last 18 months at a roadside shrine where his owner tragically lost his life in a traffic accident.

Nicknamed the "Greek Hachiko" after the legendary dog which spent years waiting at a train station in Japan for his owner who had passed away, this unnamed white dog has reportedly been living at a roadside shrine near the Greek town of Nafpaktos for the last 18 months. Despite several efforts of locals to adopt the dog, he keeps escaping and always returns to the place where his owner lost his life in a car crash.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

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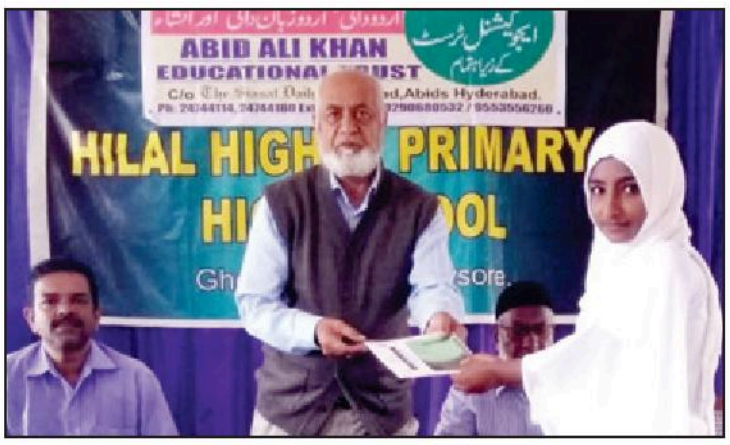
Cash awards for meritorious Veerashaiva students

Mysuru, July 17- Mysuru Mattu Chamarajanagar Jilla Veerashaiva Mathadhipatigala Goshti will be presenting cash awards to meritorious, economically backward students belonging to Veerashaiva community.

Eligible students from Mysuru and Chamarajanagar districts, who have excelled in SSLC exams (both State and Central syllabus) 2018-19 may collect the prescribed application forms from the Goshti Office near Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Circle in city and submit the filled-in applications before July 27.

For details, contact Mahadevaprasad on Mob: 94490-30588, according to a press release from the Goshti.

Urdu certificates distributed



Mysuru, July 17- Prizes and certificates were distributed to students who had appeared successfully for Urdu Dani, Zaban Dani and Insha certificate courses conducted by Idara Adbiyat Urdu, Hyderabad, at a function held at Hilal High School in Ghousianagar, here recently. Head Master Mir Amirulla Khan presided. Organiser Nyamathulla Khan, Anwer Pasha and Assistant Mistress Jazeela Kouser were present.

Really...?

- ***The only bone in the human body not connected to another is the hyoid, a V-shaped bone located at the base of the tongue.***
- ***Bones are made up of calcium, phosphorus, sodium, and other minerals, as well as the protein collagen.***
- ***Bones function as the skeleton of the human body, allow body parts to move and protect organs from impact damage. They also produce red and white blood cells.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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Teacher: *Yes! but your answer sheet has only the drawing of upstairs steps !!*

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1 Euro	= Rs.77.14

VOICE OF THE READER

Tribute to CFTRI scientist Dr. Indrani

Sir,

Dr. Indrani

I am deeply saddened and heart-broken by the loss of my dear friend and colleague Dr. Indrani, CFTRI scientist, who passed away in an accident in Lucknow recently.

Albert Einstein had said, "The value of a man should be seen in what he gives and not in what he is able to receive." Indrani was a woman who gave much to her profession and life.

I have known Indrani since 1991 when I first joined the organisation. I worked with her in Baking Department from 1991-2016 and am presently working in HRD.

What striked me the most was her simplicity and affable nature. She was a thorough professional who guided me lovingly about the nuances of professional life. She shared all the knowledge and expertise she had.

Indrani was focussed, sincere, hard-working and very devoted to her work which is reflected in the research paper publications of high quality in International journals. She had an exemplary ability to work under pressure with a cool demeanour.

An inspiration to all the juniors, she was very humane and helped all the colleagues and students. With her beaming smile and infectious cheerfulness, she exuded hope and positivity. The student fraternity in the campus will miss the classes of this popular Baking Science Professor par excellence.

I always remain deeply thankful to you dear Indrani and you will continue to stay with me in my heart forever. RIP.

— Jyotsna Rajiv

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PM invited for UoM Centenary Convocation next year

Mysore University Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar presenting the Coffee table Book 'One Hundred Years - University of Mysore' to Prime Minister Narendra Modi as MPs Pratap Simha and Tejasvi Surya look on.

Mysuru, July 17 (NNN)- University of Mysore (UoM) Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar met Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Parliament Office in New Delhi on Monday at 11.30 am and invited him to attend the Centenary Year Convocation of the University that is going to be held in 2020.

He was accompanied by Mysuru-Kodgau MP Pratap Simha and Bengaluru South MP Tejasvi Surya.

The VC was with the Prime Minister for about five to six minutes. Modi asked him about the University and its functioning. The PM also recalled his visit to Mysuru when he had inaugurated the 103rd Indian Science Congress in Jan. 2016.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Prof. Hemantha Kumar said, "I invited him to attend the Convocation of the University next year when we will be celebrating its hundredth year. He was very happy to hear about it. Then I presented him the Coffee Table Book '*One Hundred Years - University of Mysore*' and he immediately recalled his visit to the city. I also presented a small photo album of the Indian Science Congress containing his photographs."

Besides, the VC submitted an appeal to the Prime Minister urging him to reconsider the University for Institution of Eminence (IoE) status. The status ensures special funding from the Centre to the UoM.

"The Prime Minister asked me about the number of students in the University and the courses that we were offering. I told him that plans were on to start Engineering and Pharma courses in the University shortly," he said.

Mahalakshmi's Mysore Pak for Modi

M. Shivakumar, Managing Director of the city's renowned sweet-maker Mahalakshmi Sweets and Bhima Properties, met Prime Minister Narendra Modi at New Delhi on Monday and presented him the famed Mysore Pak sweet. Shivakumar was accompanied by MPs Pratap Simha and Tejasvi Surya, UoM VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, industrialist 'Sweets' Mahesh and others.

No borrowing Library books

Mysuru, July 17- The Deputy Director of Mysuru City Central Library has stated in a press release that as the inventory of books in the Central Library has not yet been completed, the public cannot borrow books till July 25. However, they may return the borrowed books as usual. The reference section is also open to public, the press release added.

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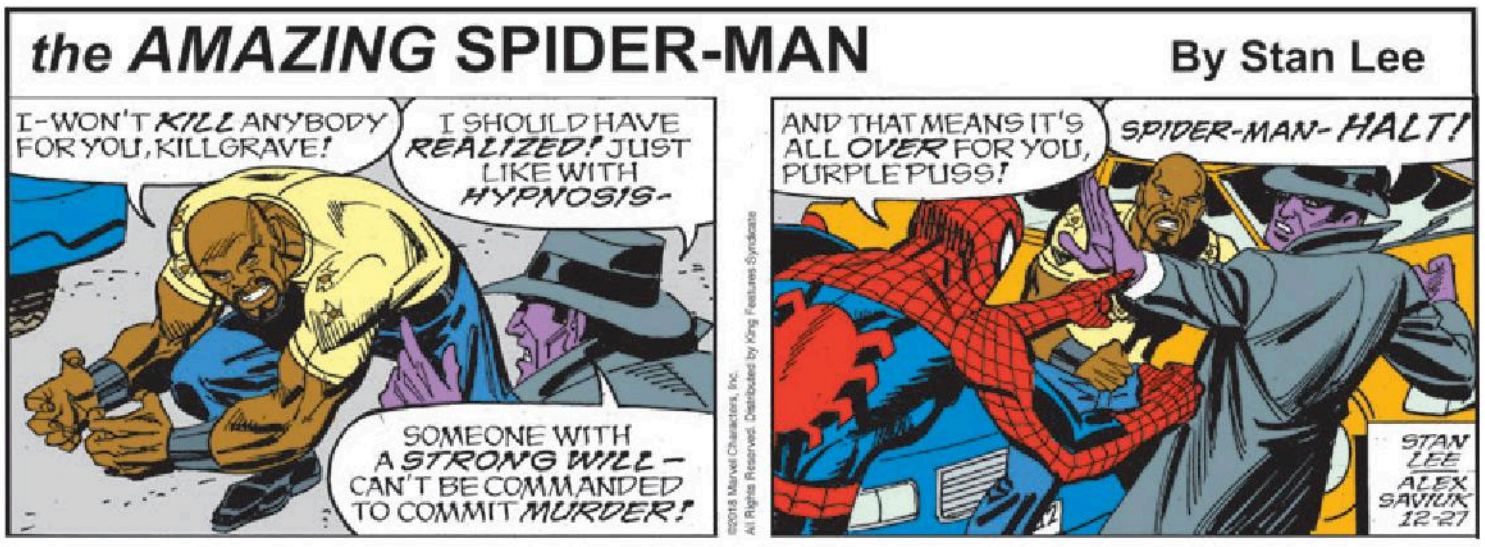
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NEWS BRIEFS

Talk on 'Role of Nuclear Energy'

Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre, in association with the Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers (ISHRAE), has organised a talk on 'Role of Nuclear Energy for Sustainable Development' by Madhusudhan Ojha (BARC/ RMP, Mysuru) at S.P. Bhat Hall, IEI Mysuru premises, JLB Road, in city on July 17 at 6 pm. IEI Mysuru Chairman Dr. R. Suresh and ISHRAE President T.A. Prabhakar will be present.

Music Therapy

Raagaarogya, a musical event all about Music Therapy and Health, has been organised at Kalamandira in city on July 28 at 6 pm, under the aegis of Unnathi organisation. Dr. Khader Valli (The Millets Specialist) will deliver a talk on Health and Sriharsha (singer of SaReGaMaPa fame) will brief about Music Therapy and specific music to a particular illness. [Mob: 90083-67863 or 94833-49863]

Mysuru Directory

Karthavya IT Solutions Pvt. Ltd., a leading information technology services provider, has launched www.mysuru.directory, a website to serve as the web directory exclusively for Mysuru city. An Android App called 'Mysuru Directory' has also been launched based on the same data and available for free download in the Android Play Store.

Last date extended

Karnataka State Khadi and Village Industries Board has extended the last date for submission of applications for loans under self-employment schemes till July 31. The unemployed candidates can log on www.cmegp.kar.nic.in under Chief Minister Self Employment Scheme (CMEGP) scheme and www.kviconline.gov.in under Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) scheme and submit the application to 'Agency-KVIB.' For details, contact Ph: 0821-2566428.

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Outflow	1,405 cusecs

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(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,268.95 ft
Inflow	1,627 cusecs
Outflow	500 cusecs

District-level Farmers Meeting

Complaints galore against banks and private money-lenders

***Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Shankar** (second from left) addressing the gathering during the District-level Farmers Meet held at Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Auditorium in city on Monday as ZP CEO K. Jyothi and other officials look on. Picture right shows members of various Farmer Associations taking part in the meeting.*

Mysuru, July 17 (MTY&VNS)- Complaints poured-in against private money-lenders, private recovery agents and bank officials during the District-level Farmers Meeting chaired by Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Shankar at the Zilla Panchayat (ZP) here on Monday.

While the farmers complained about the delay in disbursing loans from the bank officials, they also accused the private recovery agents of causing trouble to them and their family members while recovering loans.

Speaking on the occasion, Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha and Hasiru Sene President Badagalapura Nagendra said that the recovery agents of private banks posed as goondas and also alleged that private financial companies have appointed bouncers as recovery agents.

"The recovery agents, who often visit the villages during the night hours, barge into farmers' residences and forcefully seize the tractors. There are also some incidents where the tractors and other agricultural equipment are seized without bringing the matter to the notice of the owners," he added.

Sugarcane Growers Association President Kurubur Shanthakumar said that farmers are suffering in the hands of private money-lenders because of the delay by banks to disburse the loans on time.

He also accused the private banks of harassing the farmers by filing cases in other States instead of the jurisdiction where the farmers reside.

Later, addressing the farmers and the officials, Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Shankar said that there is no room for using force while recovering loans or to increase the interest rates by the private lenders and financial institutions.

He advised the farmers to lodge complaints with the jurisdictional Police against private lenders and recovery agents if such cases were reported in the district.

Members of various Farmer Associations in the districts, ZP Chief Executive Officer (CEO) K. Jyothi, Bandipur Project Tiger Director T. Balachandra, Dy. Conservator of Forest (DCF) Dr. K.C. Prashanth Kumar, Agriculture Department Joint Director Mahanteshappa, Food and Civil Supplies Joint Director P. Shivanna, Assistant Commissioner H.N. Shivegowda, Hunsur Assistant Commissioner Veena and others were present during the meeting.

Rs.216.74 crore loan of 39,615 farmers waived-off in Mysuru district

Loans amounting to Rs.216.74 crore pending from 39,615 farmers have been waived-off in the district, said Lead Bank Manager Venkatachalapathy here on Monday.

Addressing the District-level Farmers Meeting at the ZP Auditorium, he said that under the State Government's Loan Wavier Scheme, out of the total Rs.385 crore loan given to 56,704 farmers in the district, a total of 216.74 crore has already been waived-off with pending Rs.169 crore yet to be waived-off.

"All banks have been instructed not to delay the processing of fresh loan applications of farmers who had already cleared the previous loans. The bank officials also have been instructed to clear the file on priority," he added.

Later, the farmers present in the meeting alleged that the bank officials are not releasing loans on time and also about MUDRA scheme not reaching eligible persons.

Man-Animal Conflict

Farmers demand for increase in relief amount

Mysuru, July 17 (MTY&VNS)- Forest officials, present at the District-level Farmers Meeting held on Monday at the ZP auditorium, were taken into task by the representatives of various Farmer Associations who accused the officials of causing unnecessary trouble for wild animal deaths in their agricultural lands.

Farmers, who demanded the officials to control the intrusion of wild animals into agricultural lands, expressed their anguish over the increase in number of man-animal conflict cases being reported from villages bordering Bandipur and Nagarahole Forest Reserves.

Expressing concerns over the farmers' plight near Omkar Forest Range, they said farmers, who were already suffering due to insufficient rainfall, had to now deal with the havoc caused by elephants which come in herds and destroy the crops.

The farmers also demanded to increase the relief package stating that the current relief amount by the Forest Department is not sufficient to meet the daily needs of their families.

Stating that it is Forest Department's responsibility to provide sufficient fodder and water to the wild animals in the forests, the farmers said that if any wild animals die in their agricultural lands, the Forest Officials are filing cases against the farmers and thereby forcing the farming community leave their villages.

Reacting to the farmers' allegations, Bandipur Project Tiger Director T. Balachandra said that apart from installing railway barricades at places where the elephant menace have increased, trenches have also been dug in the borders of Omkar Forest Range to prevent the elephants from entering into the villages.

"Incidents of elephants crossing the railway barricades and causing damages at the agricultural lands have also been reported despite taking preventive measures. Now, to step-up the preventive measures, the Forest Department has decided to install a 15-km railway barricade and also to construct an 18-km trench near the Bole Gowdana Katte," he said.

Adding that a proposal to increase the relief amount to the farmers has already been submitted to the State Government, Balachandra said that out of Rs.67 lakh relief amount the State Government has already released Rs.30 lakh out of which Rs.23 lakh has been distributed to the farmers.

"Bandipur forest has about 150 tiger population, 1,600 elephants, more than 25,000 deers and sambars. The forest area has been installed with solar borewells to provide sufficient water to the wild animals. This year, the lakes are full as there has been sufficient rainfall in the forest and also there shall not be shortage of fodder for the elephants as bamboo has grown in abundance," he said.

Monsoon to become active again from tomorrow: Kodagu DC issues Orange Alert

Madikeri, July 17- With the India Meteorological Department (IMD) predicting very heavy rains in Kodagu district (115.6mm to 204.4mm), for five days from July 18 to 22, Kodagu Deputy Commissioner (DC) Annies Kanmani Joy has issued 'Orange Alert' across the district.

Annies Kanmani

Orange level weather warnings is for weather conditions which have the capacity to make a significant impact on people living in the affected area.

The issuance of an orange level weather warning implies that all people in the affected areas should prepare themselves in an appropriate way for anticipated conditions.

With the DC announcing Orange Alert, the Kodagu district administration has asked residents and tourists to take necessary precautions.

24x7 Control Room No: 08272-221077, WhatsApp: 85500-01077.

Meanwhile, barring some parts of South Kodagu, there has been light drizzle in Madikeri and Somwarpet taluks, while there is little or no rain in places such as Suntikoppa, Kodlipet, Kushalnagar and Shanivarsanthe for the past few days.

However, there is good rainfall in Srimangala, Parakatageri, Balele, Nittur and other places coming under Brahmagiri Hill Range. However, the people suspect cloud seeding for the rainfall.

Rainfall statistics in Kodagu (in millimetres)

Taluk	Average rainfall recorded today	Average rainfall recorded on July 17 Last year	Rainfall from January till now	Last year rainfall at the same point of time
Madikeri	5.90	110.05	895.05	3,044.41
Virajpet	6.72	55.78	820.35	1,845.45
Somwarpet	0.20	48.47	419.35	1,709.78

File photo

The coffee growers in these areas are worried that coffee berries are dropping from plants. With the falling of berries, the coffee growers are concerned that they have to suffer losses this year too.

Meanwhile, the water level in Harangi Dam stood at 2,819.50 ft today as against the maximum level of 2,859 ft. The inflow recorded today was just 365 cusecs, while the same on this day last year was 19,453 cusecs. With the reservoir recording a inflow of just 365 cusecs, the dam authorities have released 30 cusecs to the river and 20 cusecs to canals.

The district has witnessed a poor monsoon so far, as can be seen in the inflow of water to dams in the district.

Hobli-wise rainfall (in mm) this monsoon: Madikeri Kasaba-1.80, Napoklu-2, Sampaje-3.40, Bhagamandala-7.40, Virajpet Kasaba-10.20, Hudikeri-4, Srimangala-13, Ponnampet-7, Ammathi-2, Somwarpet Kasaba-0.20 mm.

School van, auto drivers call off stir

Mysuru, July 17(RKB&DM)- The indefinite stir launched by drivers of school vehicles on Monday demanding an increase in the capping of the maximum number of children that can be ferried in autorickshaws and vans, was called off on Tuesday after a meeting with Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar.

Claiming that the Traffic Police rules restricting the number of children for autos to five and seven for vans was unscientific and hit their earnings badly, the drivers were demanding a relaxation in the rules to allow more children.

With the stir entering the second day yesterday, Abhiram Sankar held a meeting with the drivers at his office during which the DC assured to look into their demands after discussing with the officers concerned.

Following the oral assurance from the DC, the drivers called off their indefinite stir last evening, much to the relief of school-going children and their parents.

Speaking to *SOM*, Mysuru City Private Schools Auto and Van Drivers Union office-bearer K.H. Anantha Kumar said that the DC has orally assured the drivers that their demand would be forwarded to the authorities concerned and the drivers too would be called for a meeting if found necessary.

In this backdrop, the Union has called off the stir from Tuesday evening itself and school children will be ferried as usual from Wednesday, he said and added that they would meet the DC again in 3-4 days for a permanent solution to the issue.

He further said that there were over 3,000 autos and vans ferrying over 20,000 children to schools across the city.

They want the Traffic Police to allow eight children in auto and 12 children in Omni van, as anything less would not work out for them, he pointed out.

SIT releases MLA Roshan Baig after marathon questioning

Bengaluru, July 17- Congress MLA and former Minister Roshan Baig was released on Tuesday afternoon by the Special Investigation Team (SIT) after 14 hours of questioning in connection with the multi-crore IMA jewels scam.

Roshan Baig

The SIT had detained the Shivajinagar MLA at Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) on Monday night while he was trying to leave the city on a chartered flight. The Police are probing his link to the IMA (I Monetary Advisory) investment scam running upto Rs. 2,000 crore.

The SIT team led by DCP S. Girish questioned Baig on his association with IMA Founder and MD Mohammed Mansoor Khan, who had claimed that the Congress leader had borrowed Rs. 400 crore from him.

Baig was also questioned on why he did not appear for questioning despite being served two notices and why he was leaving the city.

The SIT recorded his statements and released him on the condition that he should report again on July 19.

Baig moves HC against SIT's 'illegal detention': After being released by the SIT, Baig moved the Karnataka High Court stating that he was taken into illegal captivity by the SIT on Monday.

Alleging that he was detained to serve the purpose of the ruling party to coerce him to support the Government during the coming floor test even though he had resigned as MLA on July 11 itself, Baig claimed in the petition that the SIT Police, detained him at the KIA in a high-handed manner on Monday night stating that he was wanted for an inquiry into the IMA scam.

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In this week's Pet Talk, Maneka explains why so many whales are getting washed on beaches and what can be done to help the situation

Pet Talk

Maneka Gandhi

A file photo of whales stranded at Farewell Spit near Nelson, New Zealand, on Feb.10, 2017.

Can the age of fishes be determined?

Scales, bones, fin rays and fish ear bones (otoliths) have all been used to determine the age of fish, since these, and other bony parts of fish, often form yearly rings (annuli) like those of a tree. Otoliths generally provide the most accurate ages, particularly in old fish.

Apart from food for humans and other species, are fish of any consequence to the planet? I mean, if they were to be reduced as we are doing by catching millions every day, what are the consequences?

Every day humans breathe out millions of tonnes of carbon dioxide. All our factories and process create more millions of carbon dioxide. If this carbon dioxide built up in the air then we would be dead very soon. As it is, from the amount it has built up we have now warmed the planet, so that our weather is now unpredictable — which has its impact on food availability and prices and on the spread of disease. So what slows down this build of carbon dioxide. Two things: trees and fish (not the oceans but the fish in them). The more trees you cut the hotter and drier it gets. The more fish you remove the less carbon dioxide they can remove.

Deep sea fish around UK and Ireland remove and store more than one million tonnes of carbon dioxide per year. According to a new study by the University of Southampton, this natural carbon capture and storage scheme saves millions of lives. Fish, living in deep waters on the continental slope, play an important role in carrying carbon from the surface to the seafloor.

But, as fishing, energy extraction and mining, extend into deeper waters, these seldom seen fishes, who provide a valuable service to all of us, are going to disappear, making the carbon dioxide built up even more intense. Soon it will be difficult for anyone to breathe.

Do all fish swim in horizontal position?

Most do. The sea horse is among the exceptions. Another is the shrimp fish of the Indian Ocean, which swims vertically in schools of several individuals, its long tube-like snout pointing directly upward. A catfish, indigenous to the Nile, also swims in the vertical posture.

I have never seen fishes sleep. Do they?

Yes, fish sleep. But it's not sleep as we know it. The nature of fish "sleep" is an area of active research. While fish do not sleep in the same way that land mammals sleep, most fish do rest. They don't have eyelids to close, they sometimes do it during the day, they don't show the characteristic brainwave patterns like REM sleep seen in humans, and some, including most sharks have to keep swimming in their sleep.

But fishes do have a period of reduced activity and metabolism which seems to perform the same restorative functions as nocturnal sleep does in humans. Some are more obvious about it than others and actually rest on the bottom or in coral crevices, and parrotfish secrete a mucus "sleeping bag" around themselves before they go to sleep. If you get up quietly in the middle of the night you will find your goldfish in an almost trance-like state, hovering near the bottom of the tank making just the minimum correcting motions with its fins to maintain its position in the water column. If you put food in when they're like this they take noticeably longer than usual to respond, as if they have trouble waking up.

How many fish can live together?

It is not 'how many fish can live together' but how many fish your tank has the capacity to hold. This will depend on the size and type of fish. Overcrowding a fish tank leads to competition for food, and poor water quality due to the waste being produced. You will also need to consider which breeds of fish can live together. A good guide is to allow at least 2 litres of water for every 1cm of fish.

Why are fish flicking and rubbing themselves?

The most probable cause is skin irritation caused by skin or gill flukes — you should be able to get treatment for these either from a specialist aquarist shop or from your vet.

How can I test the water in my aquarium?

There are several water test kits on the market that are available from most good pet shops. We recommend that you regularly test the pH, ammonia (NH4), nitrite (NO2), nitrate (NO3) and dissolved oxygen (DO) levels.

It is important that the ammonia and nitrite are at a very low concentration, and that the pH is stable. The nitrate level is less critical because it is not dangerous to fish, unless at very high levels.

How often should I change the water in the aquarium?

Most aquariums should be cleaned every two weeks on average. It is easier to combine cleaning and water changes by using a gravel siphon, as this also removes any dirt and waste from the bottom of the tank.

Can I add tap water directly to my aquarium?

Tap water contains chlorine and chloramines, which are added to our water supply to act as a disinfectant. They are very effective at keeping the water clean for human consumption, but unfortunately fish cannot tolerate chlorine or chloramines. You therefore need to add a dechlorinator to the water before adding it to your aquarium.

What is a biological filter and what does it do?

The biochemical function of the aquarium filter is to remove harmful substances from the water by biochemical reaction. This means that bacteria within the filter can alter a substance (like ammonia) to turn it into something else.

Nitrifying bacteria are responsible for removing dangerous substances called ammonia and nitrite from the water. They do this by using a small amount of oxygen to change the chemical composition of the toxic substances, and in doing so, turn them into nitrate. Nitrate is relatively harmless to fish and can be easily removed through water changes, and by live plants which use it as a food source.

Once a filter has been established in a tank for several weeks, it becomes 'mature', meaning that there are enough bacteria in the filter to cope with the amount of waste produced by fish. If a tank is overcrowded, then problems will continue to occur, because the filter will not be able to cope with the large amount of waste. In new tanks, the filter is not mature, meaning that it has not built up any bacteria. New tanks should be 'cycled', without any fish in them for at least two weeks before adding fish. When adding fish, it is best to add a few at a time to allow the filter to mature gradually, otherwise the amount of waste will overwhelm the filter and, as a result, fish may die from ammonia or nitrite poisoning.

What causes cloudy water?

Cloudiness is usually caused by a bacterial bloom. Cloudiness is common in new aquariums. If your water is cloudy, then you should increase the aeration and make sure that the filter is working correctly.

Siphon the gravel and change a small amount of the water (20%) regularly until it goes away.

Also, be sure to test the water to make sure there is not an underlying problem. Sometimes cloudiness can be caused by over feeding, or by failing to remove any uneaten food.

Why are so many whales getting washed on beaches? Can I help the situation?

The frequency of whale beaching seems to have increased over the last few decades. Experts believe that man-made factors are the main reasons driving this phenomenon. There are many factors involved. Some of the most common reasons are enlisted below:

Pollution: Experts believe that chemical pollution causes whales to be born with deformities. It also affects live whales and can kill them. These dead whales are then brought in ashore by the tides. This pollution is mainly caused by humans releasing dangerous and toxic chemicals into water bodies; **Confusion:** Whales ascertain their location and navigate through a method known as echolocation, where they use sounds as a navigation tool. Many scientists believe that man-made sonar can interfere with whales' navigation system and leave them disoriented causing them to go into shallow waters, and eventually, these whales wash up on land.

Global Warming: The heat from the earth's surface can cause icebergs to melt, which in turn causes a shift in the tides of water bodies which could lead to schools of fish to shallow waters. These groups of fishes serve as a food source for whales; **Disoriented Pack Leader:** Whales are highly social animals that travel in large pods. In some cases, if the pack leader is sick / confused, it could lead the entire group of whales to wash up ashore.

As an individual, we can take small steps which would go long way in preventing whales from beaching. The first thing you can do is to stop using plastics, cosmetics with microbeads, bottled water, balloons, that pollute the oceans. These plastics break down to micro plastics that infiltrate the food chain of all sea life, harming the health and well-being of whales. As humans, our contribution could also be in the form of controlling pollution and global warming.

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Three artistes from Karnataka among 44 Sangeet Natak Akademi Awardees

M.D. Pallavi to receive Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar

Anupama Hosakere *Radha Sridhar* *M.D. Pallavi* *Zakir Hussain* *Sonal Mansingh*

New Delhi, July 17 - Four artistes from Karnataka are among the eminent personalities who have been selected for the prestigious Sangeet Natak Akademi Award and Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar announced for the year 2018, respectively.

While Puppetry artiste Anupama Hosakere, Theatre Director S. Raghunandan and Bharatanatyam exponent Radha Sridhar have been selected for the Akademi Awards, Sugama Sangeetha artiste M.D. Pallavi has been selected for the prestigious Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar-2018.

Also, the Akademi unanimously selected Zakir Hussain, Sonal Mansingh, Jatin Goswami and K. Kalyanasundaram Pillai for Sangeet Natak Akademi Fellow (Akademi Ratna Award). The General Council of the Akademi has announced a list of 44 artistes from the field of Music, Dance, Theatre, Traditional/Folk/Tribal Music/Dance/Theatre, Puppetry and Overall contribution/scholarship in the Performing Arts for Akademi Puraskar.

The awards will be presented by the President of India Ram Nath Kovind at a special ceremony for which the date is yet to be announced. The honour of Akademi Fellow carries a cash reward of Rs.3 lakh while Akademi Award carries Rs. 1 lakh along with a *Tamrapatra* and *Angavastram*.

Meanwhile, Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar comprising a cash prize of Rs.25,000 will be presented at a ceremony by Akademi Chairperson.

Music training for SC/ST

Mysuru, July 17 (US)- Karnataka Sangeetha Nritya Academy has invited applications from SC/ST candidates to undergo three-month training in Karnatak and Hindustani music, Sugama Sangeetha, Dance and Gamaka. Applications can be downloaded from *www.karnatakasangeetanrityaacademy.com* or obtained from the Academy Office or the Office Assistant Director, Department of Kannada and Culture in the district and submitted to the Registrar, Karnataka Sangeeta Nritya Academy, Kannada Bhavana, JC Road, Bengaluru-560002 before July 30 [Ph: 0821-2513225].

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Royal Family to host Birth Centenary fete of Sri JC Wadiyar tomorrow

Life and times of the last Maharaja

Mysuru, July 17 (MTY&NNN)- The iconic Durbar Hall of the magnificent Mysore Palace will be reverberating with the soft strains of the symphony orchestra in the evening, while in the morning the stage is set for intellectual discourse.

The occasion is the Birth Centenary celebrations of the last ruler of Mysore State Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar (Sri JC Wadiyar) tomorrow (July18). This is the first time the birth of a ruler is being celebrated hundred years after his birth to the day on such a grand scale. Governor Vajubhai R. Vala will inaugurate the Centenary Celebrations at 11.15 am and former West Bengal Governor Gopalkrishna Gandhi will deliver the keynote address.

The stage is getting ready with Pramoda Devi Wadiyar herself overseeing the preparations. The portrait of Sri JC Wadiyar will be placed right at the centre where the Golden Throne was placed during the Durbars at the Dasara celebrations. Maharaja Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar would come and sit on the throne in the evenings and press the switch near his feet and the whole Palace would be illuminated.

VIPs will be sitting to the right of the main stage where the chief guests that include Governor Vajubhai Vala, Gopalkrishna Gandhi, Pramoda Devi; Indirakshi Devi and Kamakshi Devi, daughters of Sri JC Wadiyar will be seated. The nine awardees will also be seated close to main dais. The entrance to the Durbar Hall is strictly by invitation.

In the courtyard in front of the Durbar Hall, two separate tents have been put up for the public. There will also be huge screens for them to view the happenings.

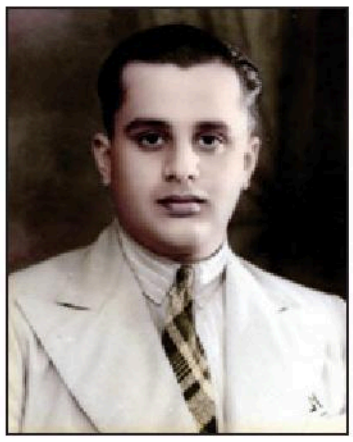
Symphony Orchestra of India will be performing for the first time in Mysuru. A separate stage is being set for the 29-member orchestra led by Music Director Marat Bisnegaliev, who will play for nearly 90 minutes from 6 pm.

A profile by Rajasabha Bhushana Sardar H. Muddaraja Urs (Secretary-in-Waiting to His Highness, Maharaja of Mysore Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar)

Prince Jayachamaraja Wadiyar was born on July 18, 1919 and thus the long cherished desire of the royal family of having a male heir was fulfilled. This not only brought great joy to the family but there was great rejoicing throughout the State, as he was born at the time of victory to the Allies in the First World War and hence the name "Jaya" was added to his name.

As he grew into boyhood, a Royal School was started in the Mysore Palace and a few companions were selected. After the primary-course was over an I.C.S. officer J. Turner was appointed as Tutor to guide him in his studies. The Prince, after he passed his S.S.L.C., joined Maharaja's College and studied for four years freely mixing with the students, amongst whom he became very popular as Prince Charming. The Professors had great regards for him. He graduated with distinction winning five gold medals and awards in 1938.

In the same year he went to Japan, staying on his way at Singapore and Shanghai (China). He stayed for nearly a month in Japan and visited all places of interest. On his return he spoke



A rare photo of Sri JC Wadiyar

on impressions of that country to a large gathering of students and the professors of the Maharaja's College, Mysore, who greatly appreciated his lecture.

In 1939, the Prince, with his mother Kempachaluvajammanniavaru, consort and sisters proceeded to Europe accompanying his father Yuvaraja Sri Kanthirava Narasimharaja Wadiyar (brother of Nalwadi Krishnraja Wadiyar). He visited France, Italy, Switzerland, Holland and England. Hardly a fortnight passed in London, when the Second World War broke out. So he, with his mother, consort and sisters, had to suddenly return to India.

His father Yuvaraja Sri Kanthirava Narasimharaja Wadiyar stayed back in London with his team of Indian musicians whom he had taken to display Indian music to the Westerners. He also returned after about six months. But on his way home, while staying at Bombay he was indisposed and after a short illness passed away.

About six months later His Highness the Maharaja Sri Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar also expired at Bangalore after a brief illness. The royal family and the people of Mysore were in great distress at the sad loss of two noble souls, His Highnesses the Maharaja and the Yuvaraja in quick succession in 1940. The Prince now ascended the Throne just before the Dasara Festival and became the Maharaja on September, 8, 1940, at the age of 21.

His Highness, in the early part of his reign toured not only the whole State but also all over India, from Delhi to Cape Comorin and from Karachi to Calcutta. During his reign, he was fully active, opening many institutions, laying foundation stones of a number of buildings, both private and public and inaugurating conferences.

He was the Chancellor of Benares Hindu University (BHU). He was conferred with the titles of G.C.B. (Grand Commander of Bath) and G.C.S.I.(Grand Commander of Star of India) by the British Sovereign.

Many are the acts of Sri Jayachamaraj Wadiyar's benevolence. He built temples and improved the existing ones. He gave a number of Palace buildings freely to the educational institutions. He contributed generously towards the construction of the Maharaja's College Centenary Hall. He got the Rigveda, Upansidhads and quite a good number of Puranas translated from Sanskrit to Kannada by the learned pundits. These are only a few acts of benevolence.

He was leading a religious life, worshipping the family deity Sri Chamundeswarl, following which, he was going to Chamundi Hill almost daily for the 'darshan' of the Goddess.

In his student days, he had appeared for the examinations in the Trinity College of Music and passed creditably. He was interested in international music and arts. No less, was he interested in Karnatak music. He has contributed about 108 compositions. He invited musicians from Madras, Bombay and other places to come and display their talent in his Palace, especially during Dasara durbars.

He was fond of riding, hunting and big game shooting. After some years, when wild life and Game preservation was organised, His Highness was the first Chairman. During his regime he constructed salt-licks and water holes for the denizens of the Forest and improved the roads for the convenience of visitors and tourists.

When the British quit India and the new Government formed, His Highness was one of the first to accede to the new Dominion. He became the Rajpramukh for a few years. Thereafter he was appointed as Governor of Mysore and later as Governor of Madras. When he was governor of Madras, he was not in good health. He tendered his resignation. Returning to Mysore, he led a quiet retired life, recuperating his health.

The remaining few years of his life was spent quietly at the Palace. He was going on short pilgrimage tours, of which the last was to Sringeri where he caught a chill. He returned to Bangalore and after a brief illness, breathed his last on the September 23, 1974, mourned and deeply lamented by the members of the royal family and his loving subjects all over the State.

A view of the seating arrangements at the Durbar Hall of Mysore Palace. The main stage where the chief guests will be seated.

Industrialists, farmers demand reduction in power tariff

Mysuru, July 17 (RK&DM)- Maintaining that they were major consumer of power, industrialists and farmers (IP sets) demanded a reduction in power tariff for them at the interaction meet with consumers organised by CESC (Chamundeshwari Electric Supply Company) at Rani Bahadur auditorium on Hunsur Road here this morning.

The power consumers, most of whom were industrialists, entrepreneurs and farmers, said that they were major consumers of power and a reduction in tariff should be given, as given to customers in other business establishments.

Underlining the need for reduction in tariff, the industrialists and farmers wanted the CESC to bracket them as high power consumers and given them a discount in tariff.

Ashwath Narayan, a domestic consumer, alleged that the CESC was lethargic in addressing consumer complaints.

Urging for more transparency in power connections, he wanted to know why CESC was collecting Meter Security Deposit for temporary connections, when there is no provision to do so.

Industrialist Jayanth complained about poor maintenance of transformers and urged the authorities for a proper pre-maintenance of transformers to ensure non-stop supply of power.

Some farmers demanded discrimination in the sanction of power transformers. They wanted CESC to sanction transformers based on the seniority of applications and also regular maintenance of transformers so that frequent breakdowns can be prevented.

JKVR Shetty, a city resident, demanded introduction of Electronic Clearance System for payment of power bills.

Earlier, CESC Director (Technical) Aftab Ahmed and Superintending Engineer (SE) Munigopal Raju gave a brief on the purpose of the interaction meet.

CESC MD H.N. Gopalkrishna, who addressed the gathering, said that CESC welcomes suggestions, advise or tips on more efficient functioning of the power company.

Chief Engineer Manjunath, Executive Engineer Chikkalingegowda, AEE C.M. Keshavamurthy, Chief Finance Officer Shivanna, Mysuru Industries Association (MIA) General Secretary Suresh Kumar Jain and others were present at the meet in which more than 200 power consumers took part.

Pejawar Seer blesses PM

Udupi Pejawar Mutt Seer Sri Vishvesha Theertha Swamiji, who was in Delhi yesterday on the invitation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, blessed him on the occasion, in the light of Guru Purnima. The Seer was to have started the Chaturmasya Vrata at Sri Krishna Dhama in Mysuru on Tuesday. He will return to Mysuru in another two days. Meanwhile, Mutt's Junior Seer Sri Vishwaprasanna Theertha Swamiji has started the Vrata from Monday.

New Delhi, July 17- Udupi Pejawar Mutt Seer Sri Vishvesha Theertha Swamiji met Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi on July 16.

The Prime Minister had invited the Seer to his office after the end of his Paryaya term. Accordingly, when the Seer was in New Delhi, he showed interest to meet the Prime Minister. He interacted with Modi for some time, a close associate of the Seer, said.

Expressing happiness for the meeting with Pejawar Seer, Modi had tweeted, *"A special day made even more special. On the blessed occasion of #Guru Purnima, had the honour of spending time with Sri Vishvesha Teertha Swamiji of the Sri Pejawara Matha, Udupi. Learning from him and hearing his thoughts is a very humbling experience."*

The Seer in the past had informed media persons that if given a chance, he would discuss with the Prime Minister the issues of the ban on cow slaughter, Ram Mandir and River Ganga rejuvenation programmes. Exact topics of the discussion are not yet known. The Seer presented the traditional Prabhavali of Devara Utsava Murthy to the Prime Minister on the occasion.

Trust Vote Tomorrow

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Ramesh Kumar welcomes SC order

Meanwhile, Speaker Ramesh Kumar welcomed the verdict of the Supreme Court and said that he will "go by the judgement of the Apex Court."

Speaking to media persons in Bengaluru this morning, he said that the Floor Test will be conducted on Thursday (tomorrow) as scheduled and he will not compel any Legislator to attend the Session.

Refusing to make any comment on the Supreme Court verdict, he said that "the Supreme Court in its order had sent sensitive and implied directions and I will go by it."

While the Karnataka Congress party tweeted *'Operation Kamala Viphalavaagalide, Satyameva Jayathe'* (Operation Kamala will fail, Satyameva Jayathe) soon after the verdict was announced, former Chief Minister and BJP State President B.S. Yeddyurappa welcomed the decision stating it was a "moral victory" for the rebel MLAs, who have submitted their resignations.

Trust Vote scenario

Total strength of Karnataka Assembly: 224
Coalition Government's strength: 117
Congress - 79 (including the Speaker) + JD(S)- 37 + BSP - 1
BJP: 105 + 2 Independent MLAs

If the Speaker accepts resignations of the rebel 16 MLAs (13 from Congress and 3 from JD(S), the ruling coalition will be reduced to 101 thus losing majority. In case, the resignations are rejected and rebel MLAs abstain from the Trust Vote even then State Government is certain to fall short of the required number.

Rebel MLAs to abstain from Floor Test

Mumbai, July 17- The interim order issued by the Supreme Court has come as a big relief to Congress and JD(S) rebel MLAs, who have been staying in a Mumbai hotel since the past few days.

The MLAs, who welcomed the SC's interim order, told the media persons that they all were united and have unanimously decided not to attend the Trust Vote, which is to decide the fate of Congress-JD(S) Government, scheduled in Bengaluru tomorrow.

Meanwhile, it is also reported that rebel MLAs have been informed not to leave the Mumbai hotel. The Mumbai Police have also tightened the security at the hotel for the safety of the Karnataka legislators.

The rebel MLAs had filed two separate petitions last week in Supreme Court against Speaker Ramesh Kumar accusing him of delaying the process of accepting their resignations.

CESC: Public Grievance Meet

Mysuru, July 17- Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has organised a public grievance meeting of power consumers on July 19 at 11 am at Central Sub-Divisional Office on Sriharsha Road and at 3 pm at Chamundipuam Sub-Divisional Office.

Public are requested to submit grievances in writing, according to a press release.

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Bring out book on Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar's contributions: Prof. AVN

Mysuru, July 17 (RK&NNN)- "The youths of today must know about the great contributions of the last ruler of Mysore Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, the multi-faceted scholar in various fields and hence it is very important to bring out a book," said Prof. A.V. Narasimha Murthy (AVN), Chairman, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru Kendra and former Head, Department of Ancient History & Archaeology, University of Mysore

He was speaking after inaugurating the Birth Centenary celebrations of Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar (JC Wadiyar) organised by Sri Jayachamaraja Ursu Education Trust at the Jaganmohan Palace here yesterday and said that the Trust should do this work of bringing out the book and if it is not possible for them then BVB was willing to bring out a book.

Recalling the all encompassing, compassionate nature of Sri JC Wadiyar, he narrated an incident about his concern for the common man. "Sri JC Wadiyar was in his Rolls Royce driving somewhere and found that the Railway Gate was closed. His car was stopped. Seeing the car, the Gateman was perplexed but did not open the gate. He opened it only after the train passed. Trembling, the Gateman went towards the Maharaja and told that he was just doing his job. He just asked the Gateman to come and meet him at the Palace the next day. Worried whether he would lose his job, he went to the Palace. The Maharaja appreciated his sense of duty and told him that if he had any problem in his job, he could be accommodated in the Palace to work," said Prof. AVN, highlighting the humane qualities of Sri JC Wadiyar.

He said that the Maharaja had a special affinity with the Sringeri Samsthan and anything he did he would only do with their consent. The young Maharaja used to hold regular seminars and concerts at Lalitha Mahal Palace (which was still not a hotel then) where he would ask very good questions after keenly listening to the talks.

The President of India Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, who had taught Philosophy in Mysore University, had written the foreword for Sri JC Wadiyar's widely acclaimed work *'Dattatreya - The Way and The Goal,"* said Prof. Narasimha Murthy and added that the Maharaja's interests were varied as he was also involved in the Scout Movement as a boy scout.

His interest in music was legendary as he was well-versed in both Indian and Western Classical music and that is how he could compose 94 musical compositions which were dedicated to Shiva, Lakshmi and Parvathi.

Sri JC Wadiyar was always revered as God by the people of Mysore and when compared to the present day politics, he quietly merged his kingdom with the Indian State soon after independence without ever creating a problem. Thereafter though he held many gubernatorial posts, he was always uncomfortable and preferred to spend his time in solitude or with scholars of repute, said Prof. AVN.

Trust Patron Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, Trust President Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, Trustees M.L. Varchuswee Raje Urs, Mahesh Urs, former Mayor H.N. Sreekantaiah and others were present. Secretary Dr. Bharathi Urs welcomed.

Floral tributes were offered to the portraits of Sri JC Wadiyar, his parents Yuvaraja Kanteerava Narasimharaja Wadiyar and Yuvarani Kempu Cheluvajammanni and his son Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar by the guests on the occasion.

The teachers and students of Ursu Boarding School were present in large numbers.

Earlier, a few compositions of Sri JC Wadiyar was sung by Vid. Manasa Nayana, who was accompanied by Vid. H.K. Narasimha Murthy on violin, Vid. H.L. Shivashankara Swamy on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata.

Birth centenary celebrations at Nadabrahma from tomorrow

Mysuru, July 17- Former Chamarajanagar MP R. Dhruvanarayan will inaugurate the two-day Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar birth centenary celebrations organised by Karnataka Rajya Ursu Sanghagala Okkoota in association with Sri Nalwadi Foundation, Kannada and Culture Department and Rotary Mysore-Palace at Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road in the city at 10.30 am tomorrow.

Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath will be the guest of honour. Actress Bharathi Vishnuvardhan, actor Aniruddha, Prof. P.V. Nanjaraj Urs, Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Channappa will be special invitees.

Cultural programmes will take place from 6 pm. Arjuna Avadhoota Guruji of Swarnarusimha Datta Sai Peethika Seva Trust will inaugurate the event. Vidushi Geetha Seetharam will present a vocal recital followed by Dr. Krupa Phadke and team's dance.

On July 19, cultural programmes will be held from 6 pm. Vidwan R. Raghu will present a vocal concert, followed by a dance performance by Vidushi Dr. Shambhavi Swamy of Ayama Academy of Fine Arts, Mysuru.

The Okkoota also plans to hold year-long birth centenary celebrations of the erstwhile Maharaja. The programmes include: **1.** Audio recording of music compositions by the Maharaja that were recorded at Akshavani, Mysore about 40 years ago; **2.** Video presentation on the forms of these compositions; **3.** Holding at least one event on JC Wadiyar at every district headquarters of the State once a month; **4.** Bringing out complete volume on the life and achievements of the erstwhile Mysore ruler; **5.** Holding events at all taluk centres; **6.** Mysuru district-level debate competition for tenth standard students; **7.** Reprinting Dattatreya and other works of the Maharaja; **8.** Music contests (classical) for students. For details, call Mob: 94800-30222 or 98803-58761.

Dr. Sukanya to sing paeans on Maharaja at Krishna Gana Sabha

Mysuru, July 17- Sri Krishna Gana Sabha too has arranged Sri Jayachamaraj Wadiyar's Centenary celebrations on July 19 (Friday) at 6 pm at Alwar Kala Bhavan in Gokulam 3rd Stage, Mysuru.

The celebrations will be inaugurated by *Nadoja* Dr. Manu Baligar, President, Kannada Sahitya Parishat. Prof. Hemalatha will speak on the 25th Maharaja of Mysore Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar. Sabha President B.S. Sridhara Raj Urs will preside.

On the occasion, Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar and her disciple Vidushi Medha Manjunath will sing the Kruthis of Jayachamaraja Wadiyar. Vidwan H.K. Narasimha Murthy on violin, Vidwan G.S. Ramanujam on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Mahesh on ghata will accompany them. The programme is sponsored by Devotees of Music.

Incidentally, Dr. Sukanya Prabhakar, a musician of great repute and hailing from Mysuru, was awarded Doctorate for her Thesis on the Kruthis of Maharaja Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar and her thesis was published in a book form too.

Guru Parampara Puja and Vyasa Puja

Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetham, Mysuru, performing Chaitanyarchana, Guru Parampara Puja and Vyasa Puja on the occasion of Guru Purnima at Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama in city yesterday. With this, the two-month Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha also begins.

Dr. Capt. K. Thimmappiah Memorial Cricket Tournament

Pavan Deshpande shines for KSCA President's XI

Mysuru, July 17- An inspiring batting display by Pavan Deshpande 80 (118b,12x4) and his valuable 87-run third wicket partnership with opener Shishir Bhavane 45 (91b,9x4) enabled KSCA President's XI to end the first day of their Group 'D' league fixture against Andhra Cricket Association (CA) on a decent note by scoring 284 for nine in 84 overs, in the Dr. Capt. K. Thimmappiah Memorial Tournament 2019, played at JSS-SJCE Grounds here yesterday.

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At JSS-SJCE grounds — KSCA President's XI: 284 for nine in 84 overs (Pavan Deshpande 80, Bhavesh Gulecha 48 n.o., Shishir Bhavane 45, Ritesh Bhatkal 47, G. Manish 4 for 40, B. Ayyappa 2 for 61) Vs **Andhra CA.**

At SDNR Wadiyar Grounds — Jharkhand CA: 228 in 75.2 overs (Arnav Sinha 95, Sumit Kumar 43, Utkarsh Singh 27, Varun Aaron 21, Saransh Jain 5 for 33, Mihir Hirwani 2 for 65) Vs **Madhya Pradesh CA:** 14 for no loss in 7.3 overs.

Charity Fundraiser Shuttle Badminton Tournament for HRs & Academicians

Mysuru, July 17- Edin Synergy, in association with Conzulere Nextwealth, has organised Edin Badminton League 2019 - A Charity Fundraiser Cricket Tournament for HRs & Academicians, at Indoor Badminton Court, University of Mysore, behind Gangothri Glades, Manasagangothri, here on July 28 at 9 am.

The sports activity is a charity fundraising event and portion of the revenue will be contributed to Sri Chayadevi Anathashrama Trust (SCAT). The event is co-supported by Tata Urs Kar.

HR Professionals, IR Professionals, Welfare Officers, Administrative Officers, Professors, Faculties, HR Consultants, HR Auditors, Recruiters, Trainers, Management Consultants & Freelancers can take part in the Tournament.

The Tournament will be held in the following five categories: Men's Singles & Doubles; Women`s Singles & Doubles and Mixed Doubles.

Around 150 members which include HRs & Academicians from 100+ top Companies and Educational Institutes are expected to attend the event.

The initiative is supported by SDM IMD CS&MS, Narayana Multispeciality Hospital, RED FM, Hands on CSR, Edtouch, Food Box, Ogara, Ocean to Sky, Smart Solutions, Elixir and many more.

For details and registration, contact Mob: 81239-75499 or 74110-69559 or log on *https://forms.gle/87kWLRhwUdeqCt1d6*

Students enjoy adventurous activities at School

Rotary Midtown Academy (RMA), Mysuru, had organised adventurous activities like wall-climbing, mohawk walk and flying kites at its campus recently. Rtn. Satish Babu and his team carried out the event with great energy and amusement which was enjoyed by students.

India to host 2023 ICC Cricket World Cup

London, July 17- The 2023 ICC Cricket World Cup, the 13th edition of the men's Cricket World Cup, is scheduled to be hosted by India from February 9 to March 26, 2023.

This will be the first time the competition is held completely in India. The country has previously co-hosted the World Cup three times in the past, 1987 with Pakistan, 1996 with Pakistan and Sri Lanka and 2011 with Sri Lanka and Bangladesh.

The World Cup 2023 will also see participation from 10 teams. The top 7-ranked teams will automatically qualify for the World Cup along with hosts India, while the remaining two teams should make it through the Cricket World Cup Qualifier to be held in 2022.

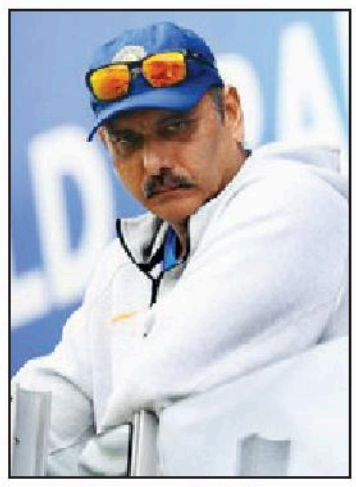
ICC Cricket World Cup

The Cricket World Cup has been hosted most number of times by England. England has hosted the tournament five times, solely in 1975, 1979 and 1983 and co-hosted in 1999 and 2019 with Ireland, Netherlands, Scotland and Wales.

The 1987 World Cup was the first edition of the tournament that was not hosted by England. The tournament was hosted jointly by India and Pakistan. Pakistan also was a co-host in the 2011 edition of the World Cup but it was stripped of its status due to uncertain security situation after an attack on the bus carrying the Sri Lankan cricket team in Lahore in 2009.

The 2011 World Cup final was held at the Wankhede Stadium in Mumbai, where India lifted the World Cup trophy 28 years after the first triumph and it became the first host nation to win the tournament.

BCCI invites applications for India Coach, Support Staff



Ravi Shastri

New Delhi, July 17- Team India coach Ravi Shastri, along with the other support staff, have been given a 45-day extension following the World Cup 2019 in the UK, where India were knocked out by New Zealand in the semi-finals.

However, the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) on Tuesday invited applications for the post of head coach, batting coach, bowling coach, fielding coach, physiotherapist, strength and conditioning coach and administrative manager. "The current coaching staff of Team India (Senior Men) will get an automatic entry in the recruitment process," the BCCI said in a release on Tuesday.

"Pertinent to note, that the decision of the BCCI for the said position, will remain final and binding," the release, issued by the Supreme Court-appointed Committee of Administrators (CoA), added further.

The last date of application is July 30, 2019, until 5 pm (IST).

The current support staff, comprising Shastri, bowling coach Bharat Arun, batting coach Sanjay Bangar and fielding coach R. Sridhar were given a 45-day extension after the World Cup, covering India's tour of West Indies, starting on Aug. 3.

While all four above-mentioned coaches are set to get an automatic entry in the recruitment process, the team is all set to have a new trainer and physio as Shankar Basu and Patrick Farhart left immediately after India's semi-final exit in the World Cup.

India is scheduled to play three T20 Internationals and as many One-day Internationals before two Test matches on a month-long tour to the West Indies.

After the West Indies tour, India's home season kicks off with the series against South Africa beginning September 15.

Job Mela marks World Skill Day

Mysuru, July 17 (PM&US)- Marking World Skill Day, a Job Mela was organised by the District Employment Exchange in NR Mohalla here on Monday.

Hundreds of candidates, who have passed SSLC, PUC, ITI, Diploma and Degree courses, attended the event.

Twelve companies participated in the Mela to recruit candidates for suitable posts.

Inaugurating the programme, Department of Industrial Training and Employment Deputy Director Ravi Shankar asked the candidates to be optimistic and confident. He hailed the event as a good platform for a direct contact between employers and candidates.

He cautioned candidates not to be lured by dubious agents promising a job for money. He suggested eligible candidates to appear for competitive examinations.

A total of 402 candidates comprising 210 men and 192 women, attended the interviews conducted by various companies and 107 candidates (64 men and 43 women) were selected.

Though the participating companies intended to fill up 600 posts only 107 could make it. It probably gives a message that candidates need to hone their communication and relevant soft skills other than acquiring the essential basic qualification.

District Employment Exchange Assistant Director D.M. Rani and others were present.

RUDSET Institute holds Road Show

Mysuru, July 17- RUDSET Institute, Hinkal, Mysuru, observed World Youth Skills Day recently by organising a Road Show.

RUDSET is a pioneer institute in the country for creating self-employment opportunities to the unemployed youths through training intervention.

K. Jyothi, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat, Mysuru and Chairman, DLRAC, RUDSETI, Mysuru flagged off the Road Show.

Speaking on the occasion, she lauded RUDSETI for doing yeoman service to the nation by building the youth capital through training programmes.

N. Prasanna Kumar, Administrative Officer, SDME Trust, Mysuru, who was also present hoped that Road Show would create awareness among the rural people for financial empowerment.

N.G. Lakshman Rao, Director, V. Ravindra, Sr. Faculty, R. Paulraju, Sr. Faculty and others were present. Totally 75 trainees participated in the event. Lokesh and Surya Prakash, Guest Faculties, led the Road Show.

MDJA fetes meritorious students

Mysuru, July 17 (US&PM)- Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) had organised a programme at its premises on Tyagaraja Road here yesterday to present Pratibha Puraskar to meritorious children of MDJA members.

The awardees are: A.P. Nayana Priya, Aiman Ahmed Khan and M.S. Adithya Kashyap (II PU); K. Dhamini, Yusur Surur Khan, Nitya S. Aradhya, M. Sujana, H.S. Ranjitha, Poorvika S. Bennur and A. Akhandesh (SSLC). Cash prize of Rs. 10,000 and Rs. 15,000 were presented to SSLC and PUC toppers respectively.

Speaking as the chief guest, Pramathi Hill View Academy Chairman H.V. Rajeev observed that many people study one particular subject but choose a career in another field.

Hence he advised the students to hone their communication skills and general knowledge to fit into any profession. Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) Chief Administrative Officer K.M. Gayathri, who also spoke, appreciated MDJA in identifying and honouring the students.

She suggested to organise career guidance workshops to help such students. She advised the students not to be satisfied by academic excellence alone but also focus on skill development which is essential. Prerana Academy Secretary Pradeep, MDJA President C.K. Mahendra, General Secretary K.J. Lokesh Babu and others were present.

PU students excel in literary competition

Students of Badriprasadji PU College, Mysuru, have excelled in literary and cultural competition organised by the Mysore Public School in city recently. Mohammed Raheesh of I PU (Science), who bagged the first prize in English poetry recitation and caption writing competitions, was awarded with trophies, certificates and cash prize of Rs. 1000 and Rachana M. Bharadwaj of I PU (Commerce) won the II prize in English poetry recitation. They are seen with their teacher-guides.

Three-year skill training

Mysuru, July 17- Chamarajendra Technical Institute (CTI), Mysuru, has invited applications for three-year training in handicrafts and other similar professions including carpentry and cane works. Those who have passed 7th standard and are in the age group of 16 to 25 years can apply. Selected students will be given a stipend of Rs. 400 per month. Last date for submission of filled in application forms is Aug. 16. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2443883, according a press release.

Applications invited for home loan in Bannur under Subsidy Scheme

Mysuru, July 17 (US)- Bannur Town Municipal office has invited applications from people living in the town Municipal limits for financial assistance under the **Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS),** a wing of Pradhan Mantri Awaz scheme for construction, purchase and renovation of house.

The income limit is Rs. 3 lakh for Economically Weaker Section (EWS), Rs. 3.01 lakh to Rs. 6.0 lakh for Lower Income Group (LIG), Rs. 6.01 lakh to Rs. 12.0 lakh for Medium Income Group (MIG-1) and Rs. 12.01 lakh to Rs. 18.0 lakh for MIG-2.

The loan for EWS is Rs. 6 lakh for a carpet area of 30 sq.mts, 20-year term; for LIG it is Rs. 6 lakh for 60 sq.mts carpet area, 20-year term; for MIG-1, it is Rs. 9 lakh for 160 sq.mts carpet area, 20-year term and for MIG-2 it is Rs. 12 lakh for a carpet area of 200 sq.mts with 20-year term.

The applications can be obtained from the Town Municipal Office and submitted with four photos, ID proof, site/house details and other documents to the Municipal Office, according to a press release.

Police Helpline turns 20

Free counselling offered in 37,380 cases till date

City Police Commissioner K.T. Balakrishna, who is also the Police Helpline Hon. President and Helpline Vice-President Dr. S.N. Mothi are seen with volunteers and Police officers during Police Helpline's 20th Anniversary celebrations held city yesterday.

Mysuru, July 17 (RK&VNS)- The 'Police Helpline' in city completed successful 20 years with the office-bearers and volunteers of Police Department getting together to celebrate the occasion, here yesterday.

Members and volunteers of the Helpline held a celebration at the Police Commissioner's office by cutting the cake. Speaking on the occasion, City Police Commissioner K.T. Balakrishna appreciated the services offered by the Police Helpline in saving many lives through counselling.

Police Helpline was started in the month of July, 2000 by the then Police Commissioner C. Chandrashekar after coming across a case of a minor girl committing suicide during which he thought the girl could have been saved if there had been a counselling facility.

It so far has taken up cases of dowry harassment, sexual harassment, marital discord, depression, drug addiction, suicidal tendencies, poverty, mental illness, financial instability, family disputes, disputes with neighbours and other cases in the past 20 years. Those in need for help can contact Ph: 0821-2418400.

The Police Helpline, which is currently functioning from Lashkar Police Station building, is headed by the City Police Commissioner as its Hon. President. The other office-bearers include: Paediatrician and Usha Kiran Foundation Founder Dr. Mothi (Vice-President), Gp. Capt (retd.) Ajay Dudeja (Secretary) and Bank of India Regional Managar (retd.) M.R. Dwarkanath (Treasurer). There also 32 volunteers from different walks of life including doctors, advocates, retired teachers, home-makers, army personnel and others who have been working for the Helpline.

DCP M. Muthuraj, Devaraja ACP Gajendra Prasad and other Police officers were present during yesterday's event.

Order to attach Lancer Finance Company properties withdrawn

Mysuru, July 17 (RK&KS)- The notification pertaining to attachment of properties of Lancer Finance Company Pvt. Ltd. has been withdrawn with immediate effect. The notification in this regard was issued by the Under-Secretary of the Revenue Department.

The order states that 'Notification of No: RD 12 GRC 2017, dated: 13-11-2017, wherein, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 5(1) of The Karnataka Protection of Interest of Depositors in Financial Establishment Act, 2004 (Karnataka Act of 2005), the Government of Karnataka have appointed Assistant Commissioner, Mysuru Sub-Division, as competent Authorities to carry out the purposes of this Act, the said notification dated 13-11-2017 is hereby withdrawn with immediate effect.'

Driver sentenced to six months imprisonment

for fatally knocking down pedestrian

Mysuru, July 17 (SPN&KS)- The Third Additional CJM Court sentenced an Innova car driver to six months imprisonment and a fine of Rs.1,000 for fatally knocking down a pedestrian near Suburban Bus Stand in city in 2016.

The driver, who was sentenced is N.P. Shafir, a resident of Pallikunna village at Kannur in Kerala.

On Nov.15, 2016, Shafir had knocked down Palani, the pedestrian, who was walking in front of Maharaja Complex near Suburban Stand resulting in Palani suffering serious injuries and admitted to a hospital where he died. The then Devaraja Traffic Sub-Inspector Marigowda had registered a case of rash and negligent driving and had submitted a charge-sheet against Shafir to the Court.

Judge Sunil S. Hosamani, who took up the case, found the accused guilty of the crime and sentenced him to six months jail term and a fine of Rs.1,000. Asst. Public Prosecutor C.B. Girish argued on behalf of the Govt.

Cash deposit machines at a few ATM centres not working

Some ATMs dispense only Rs.2,000 currencies

Mysuru, July 17 (RK&KS)- A few cash deposit machines at various ATM centres installed by nationalised banks to help customers deposit cash to their accounts have become defunct thus inconveniencing the bank customers. One such cash deposit machine where 'No Deposit' board is put up on the machine is at the ATM centre of a Nationalised Bank, opposite Jayamma Govindegowda Kalyana Mantap in Kuvempunagar.

Following complaints from customers that the machine was not accepting cash, not counting the currency notes properly and depositing less money to the account, the Bank authorities have stopped operating the cash deposit machine and have put up 'No Deposit' board there.

This apart, cash deposit machines at the same bank's branches at Tilaknagar, Siddarthanagar and in Kalyangiri stop working frequently and even a few cash dispensing machines (ATMs) dispense only Rs.2,000 currencies thus putting their own customers into hardship.

This is leading to a lot of working class persons taking leave or obtaining permission from the offices to deposit cash by going to the bank itself. The customers have urged the authorities concerned of the bank to set right the machines at the earliest.

Kidnap and rape case

Two youths arrested under POCSO Act

Hunsur, July 17 (KK&KS)- Hunsur Police have arrested two youths under Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act for committing kidnap and rape. While 25-year-old Muthu alias Pratap, a resident of Saraswathipuram, was arrested for rape, Umesh, 27, of Kulkanike was arrested for helping Muthu.

Accused Muthu, on June 12, lured a girl from Coffee Day on bypass road and took her to Varanchi in the taluk where he raped her. After committing the crime, Muthu left her at the village bus stand and fled from the place. Umesh had helped Muthu to kidnap the girl.

As the girl did not reach home, her parents had lodged a missing complaint at Hunsur Police Station. But when the girl reached home and informed her parents about the incident, the girl's parents informed the matter to the Police. The Police, who took the matter seriously, launched a hunt to nab the two youths and arrested both the accused at Hunsur Bus Stand yesterday morning. During interrogation, the accused are said to have confessed of committing the crime.

Woman sentenced to one year jail for cheating friend

Mysuru, July 17 (SPN&KS)- The city's First Additional CJM Court has sentenced a woman to one year imprisonment for cheating her friend by borrowing a gold chain and failing to return it back. The woman who was sentenced is Jayalakshmi alias Jayalakshammani, a resident of Nanjangud.

On Nov.28, 2016, Jayalakshmi borrowed a 50 grams gold chain from her friend Rathnamma, a resident of Gowrishankar Nagar in Mysuru to attend a function.

Jayalakshmi, who went back to Nanjangud after borrowing the gold chain from Rathnamma, pledged the gold chain for Rs.99,999 at a private finance company and had used the money.

Meanwhile, when Rathnamma began to ask Jayalakshmi to return the chain, Jayalakshmi used to give reasons and used to postpone the days. Suspecting something fishy, Rathnamma lodged a complaint at K.R. Police Station.

K.R. Police, who registered a cheating case against Jayalakshmi, had submitted a charge-sheet against Jayalakshmi to the Court.

Judge Yashwanth Kumar, who took up the case, heard the arguments from both sides, found the accused guilty of the crime and sentenced her to one year jail term and imposed a fine of Rs.10,000. Assistant Public Prosecutor K.M.C. Shivashankaramurthy argued on behalf of the Government.

Retired Forest Officer killed in road accident

Radhakrishna

Hunsur, July 17 (KK&KS)- A retired Forest Officer, who was hit by an unidentified bike when he was on his walk on Monday evening and admitted to a hospital with serious injuries, has breathed his last at the hospital.

The deceased is Radhakrishna (72), who was residing next to the Toll Gate in Hunsur. He leaves behind his wife, a daughter and two sons.

Radhakrishna was walking towards Halagere when an unidentified bike hit him and sped away resulting in Radhakrishna suffering serious injuries. He was rushed to the taluk hospital, where he was provided first-aid and was being rushed to a private hospital in Mysuru when he breathed his last mid way. Hunsur Police are investigating.

WORD OF THE DAY

Churlish

Pronunciation: CHUR-lish

Meaning: Of, resembling, or characteristic of a churl : vulgar; marked by a lack of civility or graciousness : surly; difficult to work with or deal with : intractable.

Origin: It is easy to understand how churlish has come to mean "vulgar," "surly," and "intractable"—if you know your English history. In Anglo-Saxon England, a churl, or ceorl, was a freeman of the lowest rank who owned and cultivated a small farm. He had certain rights and had upward mobility to rise to the rank of thane. After the Norman Conquest, however, many churls became serfs, a change in status that meant losing not just social mobility but geographical mobility as well. The lowest rungs of a social system often serve as inspiration for a language's pejoratives, and churl eventually came to be used as a term for a rude, ill-bred person.

Example: "After welcoming me to my upstairs suite, Doug announces that it's time for guests to enjoy a complimentary mint julep and cheese plate, an offer that would be churlish to turn down." — Paul Oswell

THE ODD WORD

Dowdy

Shabby, old-fashioned; an unkempt woman.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Barrel of laughs

Meaning: The source of abundant fun and enjoyment.

Origin: We might have images of sailors getting drunk on barrels of rum being the origin of 'a barrel of laughs' - but it isn't. 'A barrel of laughs' is an archetypal example of what makes English such a rich language to speak and so frustrating for non-native speakers to learn - the idiom. Knowing the meaning of 'barrel' and 'laughs' is no help in deducing the meaning of the expression - which is the essential characteristic of idioms.

The expression began life as 'a barrel of fun' - 'barrel' in this context just meaning 'lots of'. It is first cited in documents found in the USA. This entry in the 1890 edition of Dialect Notes, under the heading 'A Word List from Montana', is an early example: barrel of fun, n. phr. A good time. By the early 20th century the expression had morphed into 'a barrel of real laughs' and most early examples of that come from the UK. Here's an example from a newspaper review in the Burnley News, October 1924: Thomas Meighan, the likeable Paramount star, is at the Savoy this week in "Woman Proof". It is a companion picture to "Back Home and Broke" with the same breezy fun, sharp satire and heart appeal, containing a "crackerjack" role for the star, with a barrel of real laughs.

QUOTE BOX

It always seems impossible until it's done. **—Nelson Mandela.**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus below:

Answer : Reduction.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

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7	2	3	5	4	6	8	9	1
6	4	8	9	1	7	3	2	5
1	5	4	7	3	2	9	6	8
2	3	7	6	9	8	5	1	4
8	6	9	4	5	1	2	3	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 As fit as a ____?
6 Old-fashioned broad-blade swords
10 Divisible by two
11 Have _ __ at : essay or attempt? (1,2)
12 Pair of old-fashioned eye-glasses (5,3)
14 Well, spring
16 Carried or lugged by hand
17 In short, I have
19 Spiral lock of hair
21 Unit of reluctance in electricity
22 Afresh or again
23 Recorded? (2,4)
25 Boats with sails
27 Speed measure, in short
28 Agri. Resch. Inst.
29 __ __ ruins : is overthrown or fallen? (4,2)
32 Defence pleas of being elsewhere
35 Having no company
36 To be wrong
38 Gossip which is not so clean!
39 A busy little worker
40 Large marble
42 Greek letter
43 Scrawl on walls
45 Islet
46 Strange, fearsome, or great
47 Easy to understand
48 A small shed with a sloping roof? (4-2)

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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DOWN

1 Painting made on plaster
2 Administrative district
3 Digital Video Input acronym
4 Gave on loan
5 A repeat performance
6 Logically - not irrationally
7 Elderly or old
8 Charles Dickens's pseudonym
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22 Bitterly pungent
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26 An East Indian shrub
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31 Nullify
32 Cunning; crafty
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34 Artist's workplace
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40 Seed coat?
41 One in Bonn
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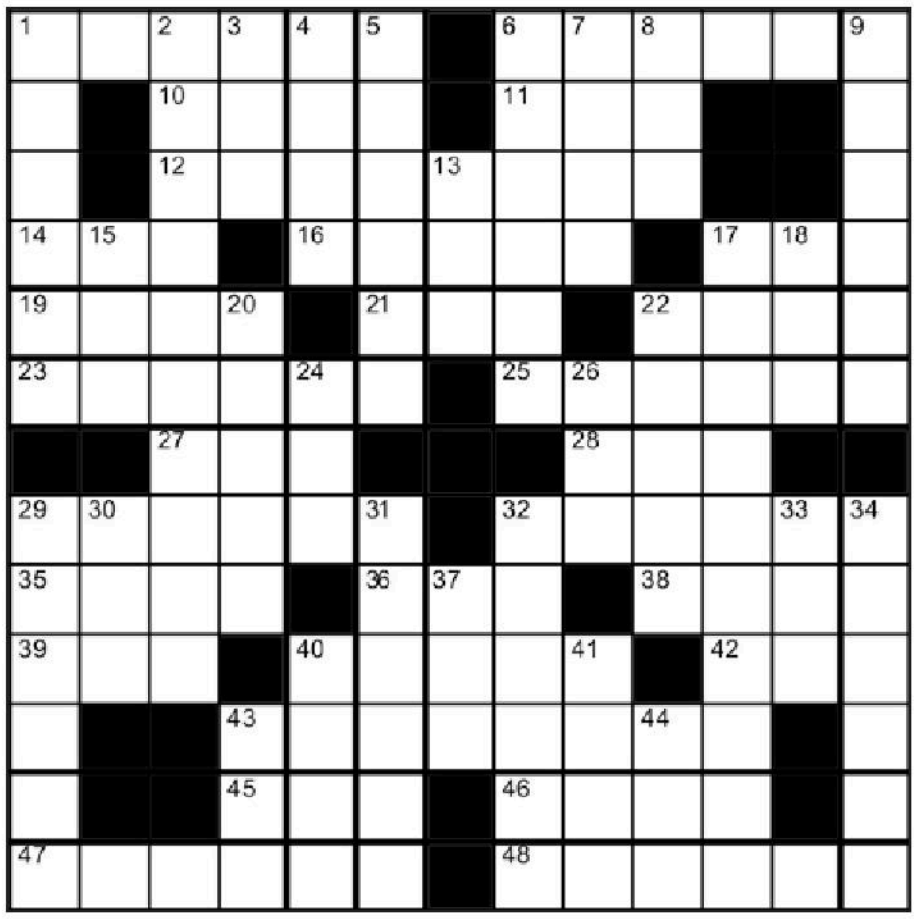

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

NCC XY OD INZL LX JX IUCC. VOL BY IU JX ZXL JX QXXJ,

LXX, LMUZ JXBZQ IUCC IBCC ZUPUA VU UZXOQM

TODAY'S CLUE: Q EQUALS G.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If you have knowledge, let others light their candles at it.

Now SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Yaanaa	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
Inthi Nimma Bhaira	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Rangasthala	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
Full Tight Pyathe	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Operation Nakshatra	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Rustum	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
I Love You	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
HINDI			
Super 30	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Badla	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Jism Ka Nasha	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Gorilla	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Vennila Kabadi Kuzhu 2	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Maharshi	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
-----	Lido	2420885	4 Shows

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Super 30 (H)	(S-1)	10 am, 1 pm, 4 pm 7 pm, 9.55 pm
Kabir Singh (H)	(S-2)	10.25 am
Annabelle Comes Home (E)	(S-2)	1.45 pm
Vennila Kabadi Kuzhu 2 (Ta)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
Article 15 (H)	(S-2)	7.20 pm
Marconi Mathai (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Chitra Kathaa (K)	(S-3)	10.30 am
Gorilla (Ta)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Dorrsaani (Te)	(S-3)	4.05 pm
Oh Baby (Te)	(S-3)	6.50 pm
Yesterday (E)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Spiderman: Far From Home (3D-E)	(S-4)	10.50 am, 1.30 pm 7.15 pm, 9.50 pm
Yaanaa (K)	(S-4)	4.05 pm

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Super 30 (H)	(S-1)	9.55 pm
	(S-2)	12.25 pm, 3.35, 6.45 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 am, 9.10 pm
Spiderman: Far From Home (3D-E)	(S-1)	10 am, 3.40 pm, 9.40 pm
Yesterday (E)	(S-2)	9.55 am
	(S-3)	6.40 pm
Kabir Singh (H)	(S-4)	9.50 am
Article 15 (H)	(S-1)	12.55 pm
Yaanaa (K)	(S-4)	4.05 pm
Full Tight Pyathe (K)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Chitra Kathaa (K)	(S-4)	7.20 pm
Oh Baby (Te)	(S-1)	6.25 pm
Gurkha (Ta)	(S-3)	3.40 pm
Gorilla (Ta)	(S-3)	1.20 pm
Dorrsaani (Te)	(S-4)	9.50 pm

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Super 30 (H)	8.40 am, 12 pm, 2.50 pm, 3.20 pm, 6.10 pm, 6.40 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.00 pm
Yesterday (E)	9.15 am, 4.35 pm
Spider-Man: Far From Home (E)	10.05 am, 1.00 pm, 3.55 pm 6.50 pm, 9.45 pm
Annabelle Comes Home (E)	10.55 am
Gurkha (Ta)	11.50 am, 9.50 pm
Yaanaa (K)	1.20 pm
Full Tight Pathe (K)	7.10 pm

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EVENTS TODAY (JULY 17)

Sadhana Mandira: Special Chanting Classes on Sri Lalitha Sahasranama Stotram by Sadhana Mandira's Acharya Swami Hamsananda, Brindavan Extension - Sadhana Mandira, 4th Cross, 1st Stage, **3 pm;** Vijayanagar 1st Stage - Sri Ramakrishna Krupa, # 435, 6th Main, **4 pm;** Srirampura 2nd Stage - Balamuri Vinayaka Temple, Near Naidu Stores, **5 pm;** Kuvempunagar - Sri Ramana Jnana Kendra, Near Apollo Hospital, **6 pm;** Agrahara - Sri Sringeri Shankar Math (Fort Mohalla), **7 pm;** Lakshmipuram - Sri Shivananda Jnanalaya, JLB Road, **8 pm.**

Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre and Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers (ISHRAE): Talk on 'Role of Nuclear Energy for Sustainable Development' by Madhusudhan Ojha (BARC/ RMP, Mysuru), IEI Mysuru Chairman Dr. R. Suresh and ISHRAE President T.A. Prabhakar will be present, S.P. Bhat Hall, IEI Mysuru, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Divya Jeevan Sangha, women's wing of Sri Shivananda Jnanalaya: Guru Purnima, Sadhana Sapthaha and Gurudeva Swamy Shivananda's Aradhana Mahotsava, Swami Dattapadananda Acharya of Chinmaya Mission delivers discourse on 'Sadhana Panchaka,' Sangha premises, JLB Road, **6.15 pm to 7.15 pm.**

Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama: Guru Purnima and Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha programmes by Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetha, Satsang, Discourse, **6.30 pm;** Kakada Aarti to Lord Dattatreya, Ashrama premises, Datta Nagar, Ooty Road, **8 pm.**

Sri Prasanna Sai Mandira: 81st year Guru Purnima celebrations, Instrumental Music by Karnataka Band, Mysuru, Sri Prasanna Sai Mandira, Tyagaraja Road, K.R. Mohalla, **7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JULY 18)

Sadhana Mandira: Special Chanting Classes on Sri Lalitha Sahasranama Stotram by Sadhana Mandira's Acharya Swami Hamsananda, Brindavan Extension - Sadhana Mandira, 4th Cross, 1st Stage, **6.30 am;** Gokulam - Sri Krishna Temple, Chaitanya Bhavan, 6th Main, 4th Cross, **7.30 am;** Vijayanagar 3rd Stage - Saptamathruka Temple, **10.30 am;** N.R. Mohalla - Sri Prasanna Mahaganapathi Temple, **11.30 am;** V.V. Mohalla - Chandramoulishwara Temple, **12.30 pm;** Brindavan Extension - Sadhana Mandira, 4th Cross, 1st Stage, **3 pm;** Vijayanagar 1st Stage - Sri Ramakrishna Krupa, # 435, 6th Main, **4 pm;** Srirampura 2nd Stage - Balamuri Vinayaka Temple, Near Naidu Stores, **5 pm;** Kuvempunagar - Sri Ramana Jnana Kendra, Near Apollo Hospital, **6 pm;** Agrahara - Sri Sringeri Shankar Math (Fort Mohalla), **7 pm;** Lakshmipuram - Sri Shivananda Jnanalaya, JLB Road, **8 pm.**

Sri Prasanna Sai Mandira: 81st year Guru Purnima celebrations, Kakada Arathi, **7.15 am;** Grand Procession of Sai Baba, Sri Prasanna Sai Mandira, Tyagaraja Road, K.R. Mohalla, **7.30 pm.**

Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama: Guru Purnima and Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha programmes by Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Junior Pontiff of Avadhoota Datta Peetha, discourse on Yoga Vashishta by Sri Swamiji, **7.30 am;** Sri Chakra Puja, Veda Chanting, Maha Ganapathy Homa, **8.30 am;** Satsang, Discourse, **6.30 pm;** Kakada Aarti to Lord Dattatreya, Ashrama premises, Datta Nagar, Ooty Road, **8 pm.**

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar and HH Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar (SDNR Wadiyar) Foundation: Governor Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala inaugurates the renovated Sri Jayachamarajendra Art Gallery, Jaganmohan Palace, **10.30 am;** Governor Vajubhai Vala inaugurates year-long Birth Centenary celebrations of Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, the last ruler of Mysore, .Former West Bengal Governor Gopalkrishna Gandhi delivers keynote address, a CD of the 94 musical compositions of Sri JC Wadiyar being broadcast by AIR (All India Radio) will be handed over to Pramoda Devi; Awards presentation to nine achievers in various fields — Prof. A. L. Shivarudrappa (Philosophy), BNS Iyengar (Yoga), Prof. M.A. Lakshmi Thathachar (Sanskrit), Dr. T.V. Venkatachala Shastry (Kannada), B. Saroja Devi (Cinema), Sudha Murty (Outstanding contribution to society), Syed Ghani Khan (Agriculture/ Farming), Ajai Desai (Wildlife) and Pranavi Urs (Promising sports personality: Golf), Durbar Hall, Mysore Palace, **11.15 am;** Talk on 'The Compositions of His Highness Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar' by Karnatak Musician and Scholar Dr. T.S. Sathyavathi, Talk on 'Contributions of His Highness Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar to Western Classical Music' by National Centre for the Performing Arts (NCPA), Mumbai, Chairman and Symphony Orchestra of India (SOI) Co-Founder Khushroo N. Suntook; Performance by Symphony Orchestra, Durbar Hall, Mysore Palace, **6.30 pm.**

District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru and Vijaya Vittala PU College: PuTi-Na-Kavi Kavya Namana, A. Ananta Iyengar Smaranartha Endowment Programme, Vijaya Vittala Educational Institutions Hon. Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat inaugurates, retd. Professor Morabada Mallikarjuna delivers talk, Parishat Mysuru President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna presides, poetess Dr. A. Pushpa Iyengar chief guest, Vijaya Vittala PU College Principal H. Satyaprasad will be present, Vijaya Vittala PU College premises, **10.30 am.**

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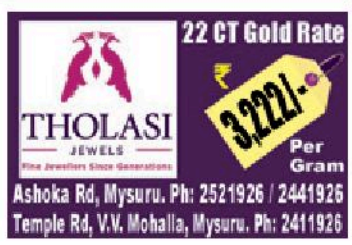

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